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A spring, a method of manufacturing such  
a spring and a disk brake including such a  
spring

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Preliminary Amendment

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This preliminary amendment is being filed with this application.

The claims have been amended as indicated and a new abstract  
is being presented.